

Dear Sirs,I respectfully urge the FCC to reject the NAB's petition 04-160 . The satellite radio system provides excellent programming variety and news that is vital to my daily life. Unfortunately, our AM Radio market in Houston, Texas is dominated today by one chain, Clear Channel Communications. Ever since they were allowed to purchase the two major AM band stations, our news coverage has declined markedly. They both have talk shows most of the day and because of the lack of competition we do not have 24 hour per day news coverage like we used to. I have installed XM Satellite radio in 3 of my family's vehicles because we find their news sources and the quality of the entertainment to be far superior to anything available on the air today.

Please allow consumers to decide what they wish to have on their radios and are willing to pay for, do not allow competing radio stations to force a downgrade of the excellent service that we are getting now.

Many thanks,  
George Stark